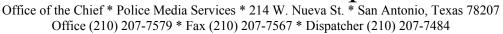


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6th Suspect in Capital Murder Turns Self In to Bexar County Authorities

Derik Pena, 5-30-81, who had an outstanding warrant for Capital Murder in the robbery of the Sonic Restaurant and murder of Christopher Roel, turned himself in to Bexar County authorities this afternoon. He is currently in the Bexar County Jail.

On December 16th, San Antonio Police Officers responded to 2301 Blanco Rd. for a report of a robbery and shooting. When they arrived, they found the location had been robbed by three suspects and also found Roel, 21 years of age, shot once in the back. Roel was subsequently pronounced dead at the scene. Patrol Officers set up a perimeter, but no suspects were initially located.

After an extensive investigation conducted by Homicide Detectives, five arrests were made on Wednesday, December 17th. This latest arrest brings to 6 the number of arrests that have been made. The following is a list of all 6 arrestees:

- Soto, Apolinar L/M 08-19-80
- Lugo, Natalie Marie L/F 05-15-85
- Martinez, Jason L/M 03-17-84
- Aguilar, Scott L/M 0821-86
- Alvarado, Mark L/M 08-10-85
- Pena, Derik L/M 05-30-81

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